take care of special operational requirements of these areas. In addition personnel are also sent for specialised training courses on counter insurgency and jungle warfare depending on availability of seats in the related institutions.

Deletion of article 370 from the Constitution

†1862. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to delete Article 370 regarding Jammu and Kashmir from the Constitution; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) No proposal to delete Article 370 regarding Jammu & Kashmir from the Constitution of India is under the consideration of the Government.

Recession in lime stone industry of Rajasthan

1863. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMAD KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the lime stone industries of Nimbaheda of Rajasthan are passing through a period of severe recession;

(b) whether large number of mines of lime stone are on the verge of closure resulting into severe losses and unemployment;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps contemplated by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) Lime stone when used in the Cement, Steel and Chemical Industry, comes under the purview of the Central Government

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.